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REMARKS

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- On 22 November 1950, the barracks installation on Dismarckstrasse, Gardelengen (M 53/Y 44), was occupied by 200 to 300 troops. Sentries wore red-bordered black epaulets. According to the motor vehicles observed, the unit was the same that formerly had been stationed there. Trucks ☐ were parked in the barracks yard. \*

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- Gate guards in front of the Fliegerhorst Kaserne were artillerymen. ☐ a total of 900 to 1,000 troops were stationed there, namely a 650-man artillery unit with 12 artillery pieces, a 125-man artillery signal company and a 150-man infantry company. The latter recently moved into the billeting area and was believed to belong to the Soviet kommandatura. Prior to the arrival of the infantry company, the headquarters of the unit in the billeting area, probably a regimental or battalion headquarters, had moved into five recently requisitioned houses on the road to Kloster Neuendorf. ☐

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- ☐ 150 recruits from the U.S.S.R. had arrived at the installation in August 1950.
- The guard unit of the Soviet kommandatura had been transferred to the Fliegerhorst Kaserne. Sedan ☐ occupied by a lieutenant colonel, and five LM were observed at the kommandatura.

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- \* ☐ Comment. Previous reports ☐ did not give any indication as to the identity of the troops stationed in this barracks installation. ☐ Motor vehicle ☐ of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div and of headquarters units of the LXXIX Mtz Rifle Corps have been reported from there.
- \*\* ☐ Comment. The 693d How Arty Regt of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div is believed to be stationed in the Fliegerhorst Kaserne. The number of troops observed there supports this assumption, although the regiment should have twenty-four 122-mm howitzers, instead of 12. ☐

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